

**State of California
Department of Fish and Game
Species Conservation and Recovery Program
Habitat Conservation Planning Branch**

**COLLECTING PERMIT APPLICATION FOR
STATE-DESIGNATED ENDANGERED, THREATENED, AND RARE PLANTS**

The California Department of Fish and Game (DFG) may authorize individuals, public agencies, universities and scientific or educational institutions to take or possess any State-designated (listed) endangered, threatened, rare, or candidate plants for scientific, educational or management purposes [Fish and Game Code Sections 1907(a) and 2081(a)]. **Annual collecting permits for listed plants are issued ONLY for the purpose of gathering voucher specimens from locations previously unknown to the botanical community or for the purpose of confirming the identity of a plant found during a field survey.** Separate authorization is needed to conduct scientific research studies or mitigation projects on State-listed plants. If your activities are research- or mitigation-oriented and will involve more than collecting voucher specimens, please contact the Species Conservation and Recovery Program for information on the type of authorization needed.

Please provide the information requested below and mail the completed application to:

Species Conservation and Recovery Program
Habitat Conservation Planning Branch/HCD
California Department of Fish and Game
1416 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Phone: (916) 653-4875
Fax: (916) 653-2588

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

email: _____

1. Affiliation: _____

2. Brief description of botanical training/experience:

3. Did you have a Collecting Permit for State-listed plant species during the last calendar year? Yes ____ No ____

4. General collection location (if known):

NOTE: Specimens may only be collected under the following circumstances: 1) during a field survey if the identity of a plant needs to be confirmed; OR 2) from “new” occurrences of State-listed plants (previously unknown to the botanical community). It is the Permittee’s responsibility to know of existing occurrences. Please contact the California Natural Diversity Data Base (916/324-3812) for information.

The number of individuals of any one **taxon** collected from a population shall be limited to the minimum necessary to positively identify the plant and to make one voucher sheet, but not to exceed five individuals, or two percent (2%) of the population, whichever is less. If you need to collect a greater number of individuals, please justify:

6. Voucher sheets of collected specimens shall be deposited in an indexed herbarium in California. Please list where voucher sheets of collected specimens will be deposited:

7. **Reports of all collections and locations of new populations of State-listed plants shall be made to DFG's Natural Diversity Data Base within one month of the collections.** They shall include a map and a California Native Plant Field Survey Form, or equivalent, for each occurrence, and notification of where a voucher has been deposited if one was made. An annual report shall be made to the Department’s Species Conservation and Recovery Program that summarizes the collection activities conducted during the term of the permit.

Signature of Applicant

Date